gate into the affairs of the closed textile* mills;

(b) by when the Committee is expected to submit its report; and

(c) the total number of closed textile mills and the total number of workers affected by the closure of these mills?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMERCE AND IN THE DEPARTMENT OF SUPPLY (SHRI NIHAR RANJAN LASKAR): (a) A group of officers has been constituted to study the problems of closed cotton textile units in the country to examine whether the closed mills are capable of being revived and, if so, what steps should be taken for revival of these units.

(b) The group is required to submit its recommendations in respect of the mills studied by it from time to time.

(c) As on 30.6.1984, sixty two cotton textile mills in the country were closed. About 1,09,700 workers were on roll on these mills.

Export of sub-standard quality of textile goods to Soviet Union

2116. SHRI ARABINDA GHOSH: Will the Minister of COMMERCE be pleased to state;

(a) whether it is a fact that recently sub-standard quality of textile goods have been exported to Soviet Union which is the biggest buyer of our textile leading to a great loss in our foreign exchange earning; and

(b) if so, what steps Government proposes to take to export standard quality of textile goods to that country?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMERCE AND IN THE DEPARTMENT OF SUPPLY (SHRI NIHAR RANJAN LASKAR); (a) Government have not received any complaint from the Soviet Trade Authorities about the supply of sub-standard quality of textile goods to the Soviet Union by the Indian Exporters.

(b) Does not arise

Interest charged by RBI for procurement of rice by State Governments, etc. ...

2117. SHRI M. M. JACOB; Will the Minister of FINANCE be pieased to state;

(a) what is the rate of interest charged by the Reserve Bank of India for procurement of rice by State Civil Supplies Corporations, State Governments etc;

(b) whether there is any differential rate of interest for inter-State purchase and procurement from within a State; and

(c) if so, what are these rates?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI JANARDHANA POOJARY); (a) to (c) The Reserve Bank of India has reported that the credit is provided to State Governments/agencies at a concessional rate of interest of 12.5 per cent for procurement of food grains (i.e., wheat, paidy, rice and coarse-grains) within the State at prices fixed by the Central Government and for the purchase of food grains from Central Pool for distribution under the public Distribution System.

Credit is provided at 18 per cent for purchase of food grains whether within the State or Inter-State, at prices above those fixed by the Central Government, if such purcrases have the concurrence of the Central Government.

Inquiry against M/s. Gupta Cables Private Limited, Bhubaneswar

2118. SHRI MUKHTIAR SINGH MALIK;
SHRI SHANKER SINH VAGHELA;

Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state;

(a) whether Government have completed the inquiry against M/s. Gupta Cables Limited, Bhubaneswar, Orissa in regard to the black money and income tax evasion amounting to Rs. 50 lakhs;

(b) if so, what are the finding of the inquiry; and

(c) whr.t aclion is being taken by Government against the company in the matter and also for the realisation of income-tax and penalty?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI JANARDHANA POOJARY); (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) Concealment of income has been detected under several heads. Assessments have been completed but the company has challenged them i_n appeal_

(c) Since the appeals have not been decided yet, there has been no recovery. The Commissioner of Income-tax has been asked to get the appeals decided expeditiously. Penalty proceedings for concealment have also been initiated.

Import of beef tallow by M/s. Union Industries

2119. SHRI KAILASH PATI MISHRA;

SHRI ASHWANI KUMAR;

Will the Minister of COMMERCE be pleased to state;

(a) whether it is a fact that M/s Union Industries are continuing to fraudulently import beef tallow from abroad despite the ban; and

(b) if so, what action Government have taken against the firm?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMERCE AND IN THE DEPARTMENT OF SUPPLY (SHRI NIHAR RANI AN LASKAR); (a) No import of beef tallow after the imposition of the ban is reported to have come to the notice of the Customs authorities.

(b) Doe_s not arise.

स्थल, वायु और जल सेना के पुस्तकालयों में हिन्दी और अंग्रेजी की पुस्तकें

2120. **श्री जगदम्बी प्रसाद यादव :** क्या **रक्षा** मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) क्या उनके मंत्रालय के अधीन स्थल वायु एवं जल सेना के लिए पुस्तकालय अलग-अलग हैं और यदि हां, तो इन पुस्तकालयों में अंग्रेजी पुस्तकों के मुकाबले हिंदी का प्रतिशत क्या है ;

(ख) क्या मंत्रालय हिंदी में मूल संदर्भ ग्रन्थ लिखवाने के लिए अन्य विभागों की तरह पुरस्कार देने की कोई योजना चला रहा है; और

(ग) क्या उनका मंत्रालय हिंदी के प्रगामी प्रयोग के लिए सालाना कार्यक्रम को पूरा कर रहा है और यदि नहीं, तो उसके क्या कारण हैं?

रक्षा मंत्रालय में राज्य मंत्री (श्री के० पी० सिंह देव) : (क) से (ग) तीनों सेनाओं के लिए अलग-अलग पुस्तकालय हैं। सेना, वायुसेना एवं नौसेना के पुस्तकालयों में हिंदी पुस्तकों का प्रतिशत क्रमशः लगभग 45, 33 और 20 है।

रक्षा मंत्रालय में रक्षा संबंधी विषयों पर मूलरूप से हिंदी में लिखी पुस्तकों के लेखकों को पुरस्कार देने की एक योजना 1981-82 से चालू की गई है। जहां तक राजभाषा विभाग द्वारा हिंदी के प्रगामी प्रयोग के कार्यान्वयन के समय-समय पर बनाए गए वार्षिक कार्यक्रम का संबंध है रक्षा संगठन में हर स्तर पर इस कार्यक्रम को कार्यान्वित करने के बारे में निरन्तर प्रयास किए जा रहे हैं।

"स्वागत नमस्कार" के स्थान पर विभागीय पत्रिका

2121. **श्री जगदम्बी प्रसाद यादव :** क्या **पर्यटन और नागर विमानन** मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) क्या पर्यटन विभाग "स्वागत नमस्कार" के स्थान पर विभागीय पत्रिका